

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the following amended Abstract:

--The interface consists of a sleeve (1) attached around the user's forearm and a grip element (3) comprising touch-sensitive actuators (12) which press against the tips of the fingers and thumb-actuated control buttons (13). Actuators (6, 7, 11) connect the grip element (3) to the sleeve (1) and allow to move the latter in a noticeable manner in response to impulses from the environment, and the sleeve has a wireless displacement sensor. Hence, in the best embodiments of the invention, the user avails of two very different ~~means-ways~~ both for giving commands (buttons 13 and sensor 14) and for receiving a response from the virtual environment (actuators 6, 7 and 11 and the touch-sensitive actuators 12). This interface is light and easy to use. It can be used to explore virtual environments for, visiting a location, entertainment, educational purposes, et cetera.--

**Figure 1.**

On page 1, line 3, please delete the heading "DESCRIPTION".

Please insert the following heading before the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 5:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

Please insert the following heading before the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 25:

--BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

Please insert the following heading before the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 16:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS --

Please insert the following heading before the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 23:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF EXAMPLE EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION--